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## R. R. PRESIDENTS TO CONFER WITH WILSON

With Deadlock Reached, System Heads Are Asked to Washington.

### POLITICS IN PLANS?

Managers Say Effort Is Being Made to Make Settlement Post-Election.

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.—Reaching what apparently was a deadlock in the attempted settlement of the threatened railroad strike, President Wilson today sent a telegram to the presidents of the great railroad systems of the country, asking them to come to Washington for a conference at once.

The telegram says:

"Discussion of the matters involved in the threatened railway strike has reached a point which makes it highly desirable that I should personally confer with you at the earliest possible moment and with the presidents of any of the other railroads affected who may be immediately accessible. I trust you can make it convenient to come to Washington at once."

Before sending the telegram the President talked with President Willard of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad by long distance telephone and was assured by Willard that the railroad heads would come to Washington immediately.

### Managers Don't Want Try-Out.

The President's action resulted from the attitude taken by the railroad managers in a statement left at the White House last night by Elisha Lee, chairman of their committee. In this they strongly indicated they would not concede the 8-hour principle, even for the proposed trial period, and that the greatest concession they would make would be to submit the whole matter to arbitration, the President to name arbitrators.

Today the managers showed no disposition to recede from this position. Several of them declared that they saw politics in the President's effort, since accepting this plan would mean putting the whole matter over until after the election. The commission could not accomplish anything tangible before next spring, they said.

The managers apparently are unmoved by the President's claim that his proposal would result in a system that probably would enable them to avoid sudden strikes in the future.

### Chambers and Wilson in Conference.

After conferring with the employees, Judge Chambers of the Board of Conciliation and Mediation rushed to the White House. He took some additional statistics to the President, further data showing the effect of the application of the 8-hour day to railroad revenues. He said the President in formulating the proposals he will make to both sides desired full details of the possible effect on both the working conditions and railroad incomes. As to the outlook, Chambers would not express himself.

Chambers' message from the President to the employees today asked how the men understood his proposal. This was casually explained, and Judge Chambers informed them that they had not mistaken the chief executive's position.

One of the foremost leaders of the employees said: "It appears very much as though the managers intend to stand pat. We are perfectly willing they should do that, as long as the President stands as judge between the parties. One little statement from him, placing the responsibility for any failure to get together, would be something that neither side could afford to face. As for us, we came here with the idea of accepting what the President regards as fair."

### N. Y. Leaders to Washington.

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—A dozen presidents of the big railroad systems will depart from here at 4 o'clock this afternoon for Washington, in response to President Wilson's telegram asking them to the White House to discuss the controversy with their employees.

Headquarters of the railroad managers also announced that other rail-

## THE CALENDAR

August 18, Friday—Robinson's Circus.  
September 14, 15, 16, Thursday, Friday and Saturday—University entrance examinations.  
September 18, 19, 20, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday—University registration.  
September 20, Wednesday—Opening Convocation, University Auditorium, 11 a. m.  
September 21, Thursday—University class work in all divisions begins.

## INSPECTS UNIVERSITY BUILDING

A. J. Meyer and W. H. Hargrove Go to State Fair Grounds.

Arthur J. Meyer, secretary of the agricultural extension division of the University, and W. H. Hargrove will go to Sedalia tomorrow to look over the University Building at the State Fair for the purpose of mapping out and planning the exhibit and demonstration work at the fair, September 23 to 30.

The tentative plans provide that the agricultural extension service will use half of the University Building, Mr. Meyer said this morning. The details of the arrangement of the exhibit are being left to Mr. Hargrove.

The agricultural extension division is planning to install a permanent demonstration on the State Fair grounds, showing the arrangement of a farm for raising hogs. This model farm will take care of the sanitary phases of hog cholera control. Last year this feature was made up in miniature form and received more favorable comment and was visited by a larger number of people than any other exhibit of the University, Mr. Meyer said.

## A. C. RAGSDALE MADE ASSISTANT

Son of M. C. Student Gets Position in College of Agriculture.

A. C. Ragsdale, who was graduated from the College of Agriculture in 1912, has been appointed extension assistant professor of dairy husbandry at the College of Agriculture. Mr. Ragsdale's mother, Mrs. Ida M. Ragsdale, is now a student in the University.

Mr. Ragsdale spent the year following his graduation as foreman of a 100-cow dairy at Kimball, Neb. For two years thereafter he was assistant in animal and dairy husbandry at the New Jersey Agricultural College, which position he left in July, 1915 to become assistant professor of dairy husbandry at the West Virginia Agricultural school. He now comes to the College of Agriculture. Mr. Ragsdale is 26 years of age.

## OIL ON E. S. RIDGWAY'S FARM

On Present Conditions This Will Mean \$15 a Day for Columbian.

From this morning's Kansas City Star it appears that a new oil field has been struck in Oklahoma near Chickasha, and also that E. S. Ridgway of Columbia, owns the farm on which this well is located.

In July, Ridgway leased four acres in one corner of his farm to the company for \$250 a year, with the understanding that they were to drill 1,000 feet. A flow of 100 barrels a day was struck at 750 feet.

In addition to the \$250 Mr. Ridgway gets one-eighth of the output, which at the present price of oil means at least \$15 a day. Mr. Ridgway is single. He is a painter by trade.

## MISS ROSENTHAL ON A TOUR

Business College Teacher To Make Speeches on Trip.

Miss Rose Rosenthal, former teacher of commercial subjects in the High School left this afternoon for Mexico, Mo., to make an address before the Audrain County Teachers' meeting. Tomorrow she will speak at Lebanon, and Saturday at California, from where she will go to Kansas City for a week's visit. Following that she will speak in succession at Stockton, Nevada, Macon, Butler, and Columbia on some phase of penmanship and other topics of interest to teachers, and then she will go East for her vacation.

## COUNTY FAIR JUDGES NEEDED

College of Agriculture Receiving Calls From All Over State.

The department of animal husbandry at the College of Agriculture is receiving many calls for speakers and judges at county fairs. The extension men and members of the animal husbandry department attend some of these fairs but the number of calls is greater than the supply of speakers. Graduates of the College of Agriculture, who have had considerable farming experience, are occasionally recommended to the fair boards by the department.

## Councilman Whose Engagement Is Announced



Lee Walker

The engagement of Miss Mary Craig of Noblesville, Ind., to Lee Walker of Columbia has been announced.

Miss Craig is the daughter of John C. Craig, a well known business man of Noblesville. She is a former student in the Indiana State University.

Mr. Walker is the son of former Senator Charles J. Walker of Columbia. He was graduated from the College of Arts and Science of the University in 1910. He received the degree of LL.D. from the School of Law of the University in 1912.

During the school year of 1913-14 and first semester of 1914-15 he was instructor in Torts and Criminal Law in the School of Law. Since graduation from the University, Mr. Walker has been actively engaged in the practice of law in Columbia. Last April he was elected to the City Council from the Fourth Ward.

The marriage of Mr. Walker and Miss Craig has not been definitely set. It will probably take place sometime during the coming winter.

## GERMANS CLAIM GAINS MUFFLE THE EXHAUST!

British Also Announce Advance—Russians Take 7,506 Prisoners.

### Berlin Claims Tenth Victory.

BERLIN, Aug. 17.—The Germans drove back the Anglo-French troops, who succeeded in penetrating positions west of Fourcaux and south of Maurepas, inflicting heavy losses on the Allies. It was officially announced this afternoon.

It was admitted that the French have obtained a foothold in the German first line trenches to a width of 500 yards near Santerec. Near Estrees the French were repulsed.

(The French war office last night claimed gains on a front of nearly three miles against the Germans.)

The English made strong attacks from Oviliers and Pozieres and also west of Fourcaux woods, but were repulsed.

German troops have repulsed Russian attacks at many points on the eastern front and captured Staroobczyna in the Carpathians. It was officially announced tonight. At all other points in the east the Russians were repulsed.

### British Drive Forward.

LONDON, Aug. 17.—Driving forward in conjunction with the French, the British not only scored four advances west and southwest of Guillemont last night but also captured 300 yards of a German trench work west of Fourcaux woods, General Haig reported this afternoon.

The gain in this region advanced the British 300 yards from their previous positions.

East of Moquet farm, northwest of Pozieres, British machine guns repulsed a German attack.

### Russians Take 7,506 Prisoners.

PETROGRAD, Aug. 17.—The capture of 7,506 more prisoners by the Russian armies under General Sakharoff was officially announced to-

## THE WEATHER

For Columbia and vicinity: Generally fair and continued warm tonight and Friday.

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**Weather Conditions.**  
The pressure has increased over the eastern half of the country, while at the same time it has diminished over western sections, a condition that results in southerly winds and warmer weather throughout the Mississippi Valley and Plains.

Precipitation of the past twenty-four hours was local in character, falling as light to moderate showers in parts of Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, North Carolina, and Tennessee; over limited areas in western Texas and eastern New Mexico, Kansas, Nebraska, and South Dakota; and also in a few of the northern Rocky Mountain states.

The weather is warmer this morning than at the same time yesterday; and generally fair and warm weather will prevail in Missouri during the next two or three days.

**Local Data.**  
The highest temperature in Columbia yesterday was 88, and the lowest last night was 75; precipitation, .00; relative humidity 2 p. m. yesterday, 28 per cent. A year ago yesterday the highest temperature was 88, and the lowest 71; precipitation, .23.

**The Almanac.**  
Sun rose today, 5:24 a. m. Sun sets, 7:02 p. m.  
Moon rises 7:05 p. m.

**The Temperatures Today.**

7 a. m.	78	11 a. m.	91
8 a. m.	82	12 m.	92
9 a. m.	85	1 p. m.	92
10 a. m.	88	2 p. m.	95

## HE HELPED BEAT THE BROWNS

Harry Jacks Played on Winner Against St. Louis Team in 1895.

Few Columbians realize that they have right in their midst a man who was a member of a team that once took a series from the St. Louis Browns—the team that is now furnishing the thrill of the American League—by winning two out of three games. That man is Harry Jacks of the Herald-Statesman Publishing Company and the team was Fulton.

Back in 1895 the Browns journeyed to Fulton for a series of practice games. They got plenty of practice—and went home with only one game out of the three to their credit.

One of the features of the series came when three Fulton players—Bailey, Atkinson and Douglas—knocked three home runs on three pitched balls.

The line-up of the Fulton team follows. Catcher, Tony Berry; pitcher, Walter Coleman; first base, Harry Jacks; second base, Harry Atkinson; third base, Roy Tucker; shortstop, Douglas; left field, Celsus Bailey; center field, Henry Mathews; right field, W. E. Newland.

## CIRCUS TO BE HERE TOMORROW

Show Not Marooned by Flood as Rumored Today.

Columbia must get up at an early hour, if the unloading of the Robinson Circus is seen. The cars are expected to arrive in this city sometime between 5 and 7 o'clock in the morning, according to Wabash officials. The circus shows at Moberly today, and there is little chance that the arrival will be late.

The rumor heard over the city today to the effect that the show was marooned by a washout is unfounded. The Wabash Railroad is clearing the tracks today, and everything will be ready when the first train comes into the yards.

The circus will show at the Fair Grounds, and not on West Broadway, as was reported earlier in the week.

## JAPAN PLANS TO IMPROVE NAVY

Expense Said to Amount to 300,000,000 Yen—Hot Debate Expected.

TOKIO, Aug. 17.—Japan plans to improve her navy as fast or faster than the United States. At least, that is the deduction made by the Japanese people from the just-announced plan to spend 254,000,000 to 300,000,000 yen building new battleships in the next seven years.

Exactly what the plan under consideration by the Finance Department of the government is, nobody knows; but according to the paper Jiji, the outlay for "the ideal fleet" calls for about \$150,000,000. Other papers' estimates are a bit lower.

A hot debate on the program is expected at the forthcoming session of the Diet because of the expense involved. The program is backed by navy leaders and also, it is said, by the ministers of marine and finance.

## Dairying Plans Completed.

Robert E. Lee Marrs of Carthage, Mo., assistant State dairy commissioner, left last night for St. Louis, after visiting at the office of the secretary of the State Board of Agriculture. Mr. Marrs, in consultation with Jewell Mayes, secretary of the Board of Agriculture, completed plans for his fall work.

## NEW THEATER TO OPEN WITH BENEFIT SHOW

First Performance at Hall Playhouse Will Be on August 28.

TICKETS TO COST \$1

Commercial Club Gives a Luncheon and Discusses the Opening Plans.

The new Hall Theater will open August 28 with a benefit show given by the Commercial Club. The price of the show will be \$1, and a three hour show will be given.

"The new Hall Theater will open August 28," said O. B. Wilson, who has had charge of the construction of the theater, at the Commercial Club luncheon at Harris' today.

"We will open with one of the best shows that Columbia has ever had, and show two feature pictures, of five reels each, and two of the best acts of vaudeville that it is possible to secure. Manager Woods is now in St. Louis looking after the first show, and we hope to fill the new house, which will seat 1300 people.

**Theater Costs \$65,000.**  
"I heard of the action taken by the Commercial Club in respect to the benefit show, and I am proud to live in such a community," continued Mr. Wilson. "All the money that has gone into this new house is foreign money, and as I have written all the checks I can say that the building has cost nearer \$65,000 than \$50,000, for what we thought it could be erected. The equipment is the best and has cost much more than we had planned. We have tried to put up a good house and it is now up to us to put on the show."

Frank Conley, the first speaker at the luncheon brought up the proposed benefit, which was endorsed by the club last fall. "It is only fitting to recognize such a person who has brought such a business to this city," said Mr. Conley. "We should show our appreciation of the new theater and sell the tickets for the first show. This is a voluntary movement on the part of the Commercial Club, and one that is due, not only to Mr. Hall, but to any enterprising citizen."

**Others Also Speak.**  
J. B. Schwabe, F. W. Neidermeyer, and Dr. J. B. Cole also spoke, each endorsing the action of the club, and praising the new theater.

On a motion made by Mr. Conley, it was passed to put the price of the benefit tickets at \$1. Prof. L. M. Defoe appointed a committee to take charge of the sale of the tickets. The committee will meet the morning of August 21 in the Commercial Club rooms to discuss the ticket sale.

The members of the committee are: S. F. Conley, chairman; J. W. Schwabe, I. T. G. Stone, R. B. Price, Jr., B. C. Hunt, N. D. Evans, M. F. Thurston, W. T. Conley, S. C. Hunt, W. J. Hetzler, H. M. McPheeters, Harry Jacks, Rex Magee, Hugh Moore, J. B. Powell, Warren Branham, Marshall Gordon, J. E. Boggs, L. J. Slate, Thomas McHarg, W. B. Nowell, Jr., J. C. Whitten, Leslie Cowan, W. L. Nelson, Frank Chambers, A. H. Welch, Roy Wharton, W. J. Palmer, C. B. Rollins, Jr., John Holloway, I. A. Barth, E. S. Stephens, W. C. Bowling, W. J. Hudson, Tom Taylor, Prewitt Anderson, H. A. Collier, F. W. Neidermeyer, C. S. Starrett, Odon Guitart, Ray E. Watson, R. E. Lucas.

**Wants Pamphlet on Columbia.**  
Mayor Batterton proposed to the club that names of citizens whom the tourist can call and be shown over the city be posted in Automobile filling stations. "There are many travelers coming through Columbia," said Mr. Batterton, and many go away, not even knowing that the University is here. We should get out a pamphlet telling about Columbia, and the citizens should do everything possible to show the tourist the city."

The plan was heartily endorsed, and will be brought up later. At the next luncheon, representatives of the Life Insurance companies of Columbia will speak.

**Sam Smoke Back.**  
Sam Smoke is back in Columbia today after a stay of more than two months at Cheyenne, Wyoming, with his father and mother. The father is a Captain in the United States Army and is stationed at Cheyenne. The Smokes are a Columbia family.

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